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**PROBATION OFFICER
FIGHTS ALL HOUR
TO GET ONE LAZAR**

Alleged Insult to Nurse by Physician Cause of Duel, Says Apartment Manager, Who Is Near Death.

(By International News Service.)
NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Dr. John W. McElroy, a six-foot athlete, war veteran and member of a prominent Atlanta family, was released on \$2,500 bail today after spending the night in jail, nursing a score of razor wounds and bruises, and Ralph Burkhardt, a New York apartment house manager, lies in a precarious condition at St. Vincent hospital with deep razor slashes on the side of his neck and one across the Adam's apple. The two men fought a terrific duel last night in Dr. McElroy's hotel room. Both are charged with felonious assault.

Both deny owning the razor which was the main weapon in the fight, changing hands whenever one could wrest it from the other. An alleged insult of a nurse by the physician is given by Burkhardt as the cause of the life and death grapple, which lasted for an hour, ending only when both dropped from sheer exhaustion, bathed in blood. The physician denies knowing the nurse. Both he and Burkhardt admit they had never seen before. Burkhardt says the physician got the razor out of a trunk. While the battle went on, the telephone girl downstairs heard moans and curses mingling with the clinking of steel and crashing of furniture. She sent for the hotel manager.

Dr. McElroy, who spent four years fighting in France, was gassed at Ypres and wounded twice, said the war was nothing as compared to his battle with Burkhardt.

"It was his life or mine," he added. Burkhardt may die.

**ASK LEGISLATION
TO FORCE NURSES
TO ANSWER CALLS**

Claim They Should Be Compelled to Take Cases—If They Haven't Good Reason for Refusing.

Following the refusal of several graduate nurses to go to homes, the Shelby delegation to the next legislative session will be asked to get behind a bill making it compulsory for a graduate nurse not engaged to accept an assignment if she has no good reason for not doing so.

The refusal of the nurses to go to homes is due solely to their preference to take hospital cases, according to those behind the movement for new legislation. "It has gotten so that the nurses will not go to a private home if they can avoid it," said an attaché of a local hospital. "They prefer to take hospital cases because it is easier work and they have the association of the other nurses."

Public Has Right.

"However, I believe the public has some rights in the case. To begin with our local hospitals were founded and are maintained largely by contributions of the public. The nurses are given their schooling free by the hospitals. Thus you will see that the public really has financed the training of the nurses but when an individual becomes sick and does not care to go to the hospital, he is practically unable to get a nurse, although he may have been instrumental in giving training to the very nurses after their charges, they are under as much moral obligation to go to a case as a doctor is."

"We take the position that as long as the state of Tennessee allows the nurses to write 'G. N.' graduate nurses after their names, they are under as much moral obligation to go to a case as a doctor is."

The compensation of local nurses has recently increased from \$5 to \$6 a day.

**SUPREME COURT
DIFFERS IN MANY
SHELBY CASES**

Eugene Martinelli Draws 3 to 10 Years, Also O. H. Rude—Wooldridge Gets Six Months.

(Special to The News-Scimitar.)
NASHVILLE, Tenn., Nov. 27.—The supreme court handed down the following decisions today:

Joe Robertson vs. State, Shelby criminal; convicted of violation of bone dry law. Three to ten years.

Eugene Martinelli vs. State; affirmed; convicted of theft of automobile tire and sentenced to from three to ten years.

States Gregory, colored, vs. State, Shelby; affirmed; Gregory was convicted of theft of \$38 and sentenced to from three to ten years.

Luther Duncan, colored, vs. State, Shelby; affirmed; convicted of voluntary manslaughter and sentenced to from three to ten years.

E. G. Yarborough and H. M. Knoerr vs. State, Shelby; affirmed; sentenced to six months in workhouse for violation of bone dry law.

Minnie Moore, colored, and George Barnett, colored, vs. State, Shelby; affirmed; reversed and remanded; sentenced to from one to five years for involuntary manslaughter.

H. A. Michel vs. State, Shelby; affirmed; fined \$500 for violation of bone dry law.

Arthur Lee, colored, vs. State, Shelby; affirmed; convicted of petit larceny and sentenced to 11 months and 29 days.

W. R. Keef, Shelby law; affirmed. Suit involved judgment of \$10,000.

William G. Stewart, et al, vs. Illinois Central Railroad company, Shelby law; injunction sustained. Case involved contemplated spur track on Wagner street, Memphis.

E. Bertassi and P. Tonoli, Shelby law; affirmed. Convicted of violation of bone dry law and fined and given jail sentence.

G. H. Rude vs. State, Shelby criminal; affirmed. Three to 10 years for bringing stolen property into state automobile.

J. E. Stark & Co. vs. Kelsey Wheel Co., Shelby equity; affirmed. Action for breach of contract.

Theresa Bogio and Eugene Williams vs. State, Shelby criminal; affirmed. Transporting and possessing liquor. Workhouse sentence and fine.

In the case of John Logsdon, Shelby county, convicted of robbery, Logsdon could not be found and on motion of Attorney General W. H. Swigart, Jr., his appearance bond was forfeited and capias issued for his arrest.

Charles Keith in chambers on motion of attorney for Baxter Wooldridge, sentenced to six months' imprisonment for involuntary manslaughter, affirmed the sentence when the appeal was argued. Wooldridge was convicted of killing a young woman by running her down in his automobile.

**TELL HOW
AND WHY
JD SPEND MILLION
EXTRA CHRISTMAS COIN**

Can you use a \$10 bill handily for the purchase of Christmas presents? Every school child in and around Memphis has a chance to get \$10 merely by writing an essay on the subject, "How I Would Spend a Million Dollars For the Good of Memphis."

**BAKERS PLAN TO
SAVE STOCKS OF
CAPITALIST RYAN**

Depression of Market Threatens Receivership—Cornered Stutz Motors in April—Liabilities \$16,000,000.

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You bet your life we want and need your services.

This is an answer to a Goodfellow who writes to say he has been away from the city four years. Some seasons ago he helped deliver packages Christmas. This year he informs that 38 hours of his time belongs to the Goodfellows and he will also get a truck.

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**LEAVE & BOWLER
BAD SCHEDULES
GOODFELLOW SHOW**

Give Benefit Concert at the Knights of Columbus Hall Dec. 17—Heavily Loaded Postman Brings Appeals.

BY A GOODFELLOW.

Goodfellows, here is a treat in store for you. It's going to be the first of several to have planned. The coming winter is a hard one, a real bang affair that Goodfellows of several years membership in The News-Scimitar Goodfellows club intend to put on for the kiddies this season.

On Dec. 17 the Layne & Bowler band will give a concert for the benefit of the Goodfellows club. It will take place in the Knights of Columbus hall in Jefferson. The entertainment promises to be one of the big features of our campaign this winter against empty stockings in Memphis on Christmas day.

Surely the bunch at Layne & Bowler are a live crowd. For more than three years many of the band members have been active in Goodfellow activities. The band has been in existence only three years, but as an organization these musicians have been among the early supporters of the club each winter.

Their plan this year is a concert, the program to embrace instrumental and vocal entertainment; invitation by cards to the concert, with admission voluntary; subscriptions to be taken at the time and the gross receipts to be given the Goodfellows club.

The Knights of Columbus have offered their hall for the occasion. Like Goodfellows they are, no rental is to be charged.

I had quite a talk the other day with J. W. Redding, business manager of the band. He is working hard and soul for the club, as is J. H. Dill.

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**BELIEVE 16 LOST
THROUGH STORM TOSSED SEAS
WITH BUT SMALL HOPE OF
SUCCESS FOR THEIR EFFORTS.**

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 27.—All efforts to ascertain the fate of the 16 persons aboard the barge W. J. Pirrie, reported ashore 95 miles south of Cape Flattery, on the Washington coast, had proven vain up to this early hour this morning, several hours after the vessel was reported to have struck on the rock coast.

The last word concerning the Pirrie came late last night in a message from the navy radio station at North Head, Wash., which said it was believed the Pirrie was around on the rocky James Island off Quillayute, Wash.

No direct communication has been had with the barge since the steamer Albatross, which was towing her to South America, at her home shortly after noon yesterday, in what shipping men describe as the worst storm in years. Meager details of the struggle and her drifting closer and closer to the rocks, and finally of her probably grounding at James Island, were received by inland routes from Capt. Tibbatts, captain of the Santa Rita. For four hours nothing was heard.

Radio stations which could communicate with the Santa Rita were isolated from other land points. Then a wire from North Head navy radio station in Washington was made workable, and a little news of the fight for life trickled out.

Hope of Rescue Slight.

Shipping men hold out little hope for saving any of those aboard the Pirrie, if she actually ran aground, although the weather was reported moderating early today. The steamer Albatross wireless early last night that she was proceeding to the aid of the Pirrie, and the coast cutter Snohomish left Port Angeles, Wash., late yesterday to give aid. Nothing further had been heard from the Albatross today.

Meanwhile communication routes to many coast towns were blocked or broken, some roads were under water, others were blocked by fallen trees, which in some cases carried down telegraph and telephone lines in their fall, and repetitions of yesterday's extraordinary high tides were expected at some points. These tides yesterday flooded the business sections of Marshall, Ore., and Aberdeen, Wash., and caused some timber to slide down the coast.

Two men lost their lives by electrocution as a result of the storm. They were Joseph Velocsky and Victor A. Madison, janitor, who were shocked while endeavoring to untangle wires torn down by the wind and falling trees.

**U. S. TROOPS TO
PATROL MINGO
STRIKE DISTRICT**

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Nov. 27.—Four hundred soldiers of the regular army were ordered to arrive at Williamsburg, W. Va., today for duty in the Mingo coal strike zone, where numerous disorders have taken place during the last week. The troops have left Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, O., having been sent by the government at the request of Gov. John J. Cornwell, who announced that the situation was beyond control of the authorities.

Maj. C. F. Thompson, of the general staff of the Fifth army area at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., reached here this morning and immediately called on Gov. Cornwell. No announcement was made as to the purpose of his visit, but it was unofficially stated that he was here in connection with the movement of federal troops into Mingo county, ordered by Maj.-Gen. Reed.

State officials are awaiting President Wilson's reply to the governor's request that the former declare the Mingo region under martial law. In asking that the zone be placed under martial law, the governor said that Mingo authorities believed the soldiers could control the situation without martial law, but that he did not want to risk this view.

A strike of coal miners has been in progress in the Mingo territory for many months. Frequent disorders occurred, and finally Gov. Cornwell called for federal troops. While the soldiers had control in the region quiet prevailed but when they were removed, about six weeks ago, disorders again became frequent. In the last week several persons, including a state trooper, were shot and killed, others were wounded, and groups of unarmed persons attacked coal properties.

**DUBLIN EXPECTS
FRESH OUTBREAK
MILITARY ACTIVE**

BY DANIEL O'CONNELL
(International News Service Staff Correspondent.)

DUBLIN, Nov. 27.—Another week-end of terror and bloodshed is looked for here. The night was marked by wholesale raids by the black and tans. There were several bomb explosions and rifle fire was heard in various parts of the city at frequent intervals.

Squads of government troops and military police tore through the streets all night, and wherever they thought they had ground for suspicion they fired into the doors and ransacked premises for evidence.

Fearful of a repetition of the last week-end's reign of terror, the military police reduced their precautions. Dawn found all the main streets of the city heavily patrolled and whole districts guarded by cordons of troops and police.

**EX-CHIEF'S SON
FINED IN COURT**

Kerin Hayes, 18-year-old son of former Police Chief J. J. Hayes, today was fined \$10 for disorderly conduct. He was arrested without reason at the "Turkey day" football game and placed on the blotter for disorderly conduct. Young Hayes said that he had been leaning on the wire too hard. The officer told to move and he did so. He then got on top of a goal and, after seeing his father in his pocket, drew hasty conclusions, thinking he had a gun. Hayes claimed he was fiercely searched, the officers failing to find a weapon. He was released on the request of his father, the fine was made \$10, and was appealed.

**DEMOCRATS PLAN
BATTLE IF G. O. P.
WANTS TO MUCH**

JACKSON, Miss., Nov. 27.—The new Republican administration must permit Democratic officeholders to complete the terms for which they are commissioned, or the Democratic minority in the senate will fight against the confirmation of all presidential appointments, if the plan proposed by Senator Pat Harrison of this state is carried into effect.

Senator Harrison leaves tonight for Washington, and will endeavor to secure a conference of the Democratic minority on this question during the coming week.

"I believe in the doctrine that to the victor belongs the spoils and am perfectly willing that all Democrats now holding federal office be replaced by Republicans," says Senator Harrison, "but at the same time, men now in office who were commissioned for specific terms should be allowed to finish their terms, and not be harassed with letters conveying the polite but positive intimation that their resignations are required."

If he has a fight on the question can be avoided, but the Democratic minority can prevent any confirmations by the new president. If it is the policy of the administration to oust all Democrats as quickly as possible, without regard to their terms of office."

**MOVIE REFORMERS
WOULD ELIMINATE
BIG PART OF LIFE**

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 27.—The motion picture industry is being attacked by movie reformers who want to eliminate a big part of life. The reformers are attacking the industry because of its portrayal of crime, loose morals and unclean scenes. They want to eliminate the industry because of its portrayal of crime, loose morals and unclean scenes. They want to eliminate the industry because of its portrayal of crime, loose morals and unclean scenes.

**ARMY AND NAVY
ELEVENS CLOSE
FOOTBALL YEAR**

BY JACK VEICK.
(International News Service Editor.)

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—The final and ever-colorful feature of a dying football season will be staged here today when the army and navy meet in their annual battle at the Polo grounds.

The contest will mark the 23d meeting between the two services, and while it may not develop the most spectacular football of a season that has been filled with features and thrills, it will be witnessed by one of the largest crowds that have ever stormed the Brush Stadium to witness a like struggle. Upward of 50,000 spectators will be on hand when the Red and Midship line up for action.

Army's sturdy defense went into today's contest favored to defeat their Annapolis rivals. Fully 10,000 fans on football games figured that army's record in previous games this season had been far more impressive than that of the Midship.

**NEAR VICTIM OF
"DO BE CROSS"
TO FACE COURT**

Another chapter to the near killing of W. S. Weaver, for his alleged "double cross" of a pal, was written in city court Saturday afternoon when Weaver and Ben McGruder were scheduled to appear for arraignment.

Jack Stanley, who claims he formerly lived in Memphis, was holding a gun on Weaver in his room at the Artistic hotel, several days ago, when Detective Serges Hendricks and Jamison entered the room. Stanley claimed Weaver and McGruder brought him to Memphis on a wild goose chase for a large quantity of Liberty bonds they said they had stolen and "planted" here. It turned out, police say, that Weaver told Stanley he had stolen the bonds during a story to get Stanley to pay his fare here from San Diego, Cal.

According to police Stanley admitted he was a double crosser, but he is being held in the grand jury for assault with a pistol.

**WORLD COUNCIL
NEARING CLOSE,
OPTIMISTS THINK**

(By The Associated Press.)
GENEVA, Nov. 27.—Optimism at the meeting of the assembly of the league of nations are counting upon finishing the work of the session next week or 10 days earlier than was calculated at some points. These hopes are based on the fact that committees number one and two have virtually finished their work, the intricate details of the session have been disposed of by a practical adjournment. The principle relative to the admission of new members has also been taken into account.

Some apprehension is still felt in some quarters, however, that the discussion in full assembly, which will be resumed on Tuesday, especially those on the question regarding the relations of the league council and assembly will be prolonged.

Czech-Slovak delegates are now furnishing the only opposition to the admission of Austria to the league. Switzerland is strongly advocating admission with the proviso, however, that Austria must accept the league with a restoration of the province of Vorarlberg to decide whether to remain a part of Austria or to join Switzerland. It is expected that it will be attached to Switzerland, but this request was rejected by the latter country.

Some committee number four, which has been examining the accounts of the personnel of the secretariat, finding the high cost of living in Geneva justified them in part, while the extension of each working day in recognizing his native country should also be taken into account.

The organization committee has decided to approve the suggestion that the four elective members of the council shall be chosen so that only one term will expire each year. It has also decided to set up a committee to study all proposed amendments to the covenant of the league.

**DIAMONDS VALUED AT
\$60,000 TAKEN FROM
CLERK BY BANDITS**

(By International News Service.)
NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—In broad daylight four highwaymen today robbed David Sawyer, a clerk, of \$60,000 worth of diamonds at Forty-ninth street and Seventh avenue, just a few blocks from the heart of New York's great white way, then leaped into a waiting taxicab and dashed off.

Two men flourished pistols at Jacobs while he was standing in front of his store at Friday morning. Their faces were masked. They ran as Jacobs drew a revolver. He fired three times and believes he struck one of the pair.

C. J. Smith, Bell Line and Park street, was relieved of \$50 when he was held up Friday night by two white men, believed possibly the men who held up Jacobs. The men wore caps and overcoats.

**THIRD FIRE IN WEEK
HITS CHATTANOOGA
BUSINESS STREET**

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Nov. 27.—The Chattanooga Electric company's plant on Main street was practically destroyed by fire at an early hour this morning. The loss will run into the thousands of dollars.

The loss on the building owned by J. J. Harrington is estimated at \$8,000. The plant and buildings were partly insured. The upper part of the building was used as a rooming house.

This is the third disastrous fire on Main street in the last week.

\$50,000 MERIDIAN FIRE.

MERIDIAN, Miss., Nov. 27.—Fire entailing loss estimated between \$50,000 and \$75,000 totally destroyed the feed plant of A. H. George & Co. here last night. It was partially covered by insurance.

**MAJOR MCDONALD NAMED
MEMPHIS COMMANDANT**

(Special to The News-Scimitar.)
WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—Maj. James E. McDonald was named today by the war department as commandant of the cadet corps of the Memphis high schools. Capt. Paul C. Paschal was named as an assistant. Maj. McDonald has been attached to the Fifty-fifth infantry at Camp Funston. He will assume his new duties at once.

**WIDOW OF SLAIN POLITICIAN GETS
MUCH SYMPATHY.**

ARDMORE, Okla., Nov. 27.—Scores of telegrams and letters of condolence and floral arrays arrived here last night and today for Mrs. Jake L. Hamon, widow of the Republican national committeeman from Oklahoma, who died here early yesterday. His business manager has stated the cause of death was the "accidental discharge" of a pistol which Mr. Hamon was cleaning in his room in a local hotel last Sunday night.

Mrs. Hamon was accompanied at the county attorney's office that no progress had been made in the search for Clara Smith, charged with assault with intent to kill in connection with the wounding of Mr. Hamon.

**COAL CRISIS OVER;
PRIORITY STOPPED**

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—The coal crisis has passed. In the judgment of the interstate commerce commission, which issued an order today vacating all remaining priority orders affecting preferences for open pit cars in the movement of coal. The order is effective at midnight next Monday.

In a letter to Daniel Willard, chairman of the advisory committee of the Association of Railway Executives, Chairman Clark of the commission recommended the railroads cancel as soon as possible emergency second-priority orders and charges affecting coal.

"We assume that in view of the manner in which these rules were established," said the letter, "our recommendation for their cancellation will be recognized by the carriers, which recognition will avoid further complaints against them which would certainly be filed and would perhaps be difficult to defend."

**BIG POWDER PLANT
BLOWS UP; KILLS 7**

(By International News Service.)
LONDON, Nov. 27.—Seven persons were killed when a big powder plant, 40 miles outside Milan, Italy, blew up yesterday. First information of the explosion came from London until today. The whole town, built around the powder works, was wiped out by the explosion and thousands are homeless. The railway bridge on the Desio-Bussola line was wrecked by the blast, which was heard for miles around.

**MAN LIVING WITH
BULLET IN HEART**

OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 27.—James Freeman has a bullet in his heart and is still alive. He told the police he had been shot by his wife from whom he was separated, when he returned home after he is said to have threatened her. She met him at the door and fired point blank, he declared, the bullet striking him in the left breast. He was taken to the police station, nearly three miles away, where medical attention was given him. He was removed to a hospital and an X-ray taken, which showed the bullet nesting in the heart.

**5-YEAR-OLD SAVES
LIFE OF HIS MOTHER**

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Nov. 27.—Five-year-old Charles Roberts saved his mother's life today. Mrs. Roberts, who is the wife of Capt. Perry Roberts, of McKim, Me. master of the barge Elect, had jumped into the harbor from the barge in an effort to rescue an infant daughter who had fallen overboard.

The child was drowned and the mother was sinking when young Charles threw her a rope. The youth was too weak to help his mother aboard and she clung to the rope until the crew of a tug who had seen her plight from the other side of the harbor came to her assistance.